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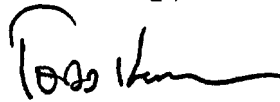
Re: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Commissioner:

We have great concern with Docket PR 92-235 regarding the impacts on our Klamath County 911 system.

Please refer to the attached letter to Congressman Bob Smith. Any attention you could give to this matter would be appreciated.

Sincerely,


Todd Kellstrom
Mayor

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Congressman Bob Smith
118 Cannon, House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Congressman Smith:

I understand the Federal Communications Commission is proposing in PR Docket 92-235 to vastly alter radio channel regulations. These changes will greatly impact our 911 system. PR Docket 92-235 will:

- (1) Propose a dramatic and rapid reduction in radio channel bandwidth and new methods for limiting transmitter power that could render our system inoperable;
- (2) Cause every two-way radio in use today (handheld, mobile, base station and repeater) would have to be replaced. Worse yet, there would be no means for the old equipment to communicate with new. This would mean that every fire department, ambulance service and police agency would have to purchase an entirely new inventory of radio equipment, all in one budget year.
- (3) Require transmitter power to be limited, making it impossible, both financially and physically, to maintain the same coverage we rely on today. In essence, every high spot in Klamath County would need to be developed as a radio site. As you are well aware, nearly every undeveloped mountaintop in our county is managed by the USFS and its highly unlikely that they would entertain such a notion. Even if we could find sufficient sites.

Our 911 system already suffers from a lack of funds, but we want to